Congratulations to our Newly Confirmed!

Jose Sebastian Aguilar-Rodriguez
Natalie Elizabeth Aloisio
Matthew Maximilian Angelaccio
Jake Jerome Bargowski
Kaelin Therese Bertrand
Jack James Buchanan
Lauren Eva Buchanan
Elizabeth Joan Castelli
John Isaac Castelli
Pablo Paul Castro
Trevor Boniface Catlett
Kyla Joan Costabile
Ryan James Cox
Andrew Joseph Dabe
David Matthew Dabrowski
Sophia Elizabeth Davidson
Anthony Michael DeLillo
Francesca Marie Delillo
Lillian Joan Dix
Tommy Matthew Elter
Brendan Francis Escudero
Gwendolynne Rose Evans
Sean Patrick Forman
Lucas Sebastian Gajda
Andrew Paul Gonc
Marjorie Anne Graham
Douglas Alfred Hall
Andrew Andrew Hansen
Grace Therese Hedgeseth
Keefer Joseph Henning
Olivia Gianna Holmes
AnnaElisa Francesca Huynh
Ryan Patrick Hyde
Luke Anthony Jorden
Elizabeth Catherine Kabel
Michael Francis Kaczor
Klaudia Teresa Kolber
Gabriel Andrew Koziana

Connor John Krinninger
Matthew John Labuz
Mia Catherine Lapetina
Nicolette Joseph Lapetina
Evan Magnus Levine
Joseph John Machacek
Sebastian Anthony Maniscalco
Zachary Matthew Marton
Frances Amelia May
Chase Robert McCluskey
Aidan Balthazar McCurley
Justin Rosemary Mique
Brennan Anthony Mockus
Konrad John Paul Myrda
Gino John Natale
Conner Patrick Neff
Antoinette Clare Oliva
Simon Maximilian Osysko
Lauren Rose Ovcina
Jordan Matthew Pangle
John Joseph Pelletiere
Philip Hubert Piotrowski
Lindsay Elizabeth Plourde
Isabella Isabella Pozdal
Ashley Maria Roe
Nathaniel Peter Royer
Tessa Marie Ruttenberg
Tyler Stephen Schorsch
Charles Nicholas Schreiner
Aidan Blaise Smith
Ryan Harvey Stefani
Sarah Elizabeth Strachowski
Caroline Bernadette Turnbull
Nyah Nyah Tyminski
Kellin Cecilia Walsh
Michael Christopher Wolverton
Daniel Andrew Zolna
Parish Information

**MASS SCHEDULE**
- Saturday: 5:00pm
- Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:15am, 1:30pm (Polish)
- Weekday: 6:30am *Communion Service on Tue, Thu, Fri. (Church open at 6:30am on Mon & Wed.)*
- 8:00am *Mass (Including Sat.)*

**RECONCILIATION**
- Saturdays: 8:30am—9:30am

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** All are welcome!
Stop by the Parish Office to register and learn more about our Parish.

**BAPTISM:** Parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation class preferably before the baby is born to avoid babysitting concerns. Baptisms are celebrated on most Sundays following the 11:15am Mass. Call the Parish Office for more information.

**Upcoming Baptism Prep Class:** Feb 24, Mar 10 & Apr 8.

**MARRIAGE:** Arrangements for the celebration of marriage should be made at least six (6) months prior to your planned wedding date. Call Deacon Tom Dunne for more information.

**BECOMING A CATHOLIC:** Our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Process is for adults who were never baptized in any faith, who were baptized in another Christian faith but wish to become Catholic or who were baptized Catholics but never received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. Contact the Parish Office for more info. Brochures available in the Gathering Area kiosk.

**COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND:** Ministers of Care are available to bring Communion to the homebound. Contact Deacon Tom Dunne for information.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Call the Parish Office to add your name to the sick list. Due to patient privacy (HIPAA Law,) only the ailing person, or in case of their incapacitation, the person delegated for the medical care, can add their name to the sick list.

**PRAYERS FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL:** Call the Parish Office to add a name of someone serving in the military, so our faith community can pray for their safety and service.

**PARISH OFFICE**
- 1201 E Anderson Drive, Palatine, IL 60074
- Phone: 847-358-6999; Fax: 847-934-4919; www.stov.org

**Parish Office Hours:**
- Mon thru Thu 9am—8pm, Fri 9am—5pm, Sat 9am—Noon

- Rev. Kris Janczak, Pastor: fatherkris@stov.org
- Rev. Marcin Zasada, Associate Pastor: marcin.zasada@yahoo.com
- Deacon John Breit, Business Manager: jbreit@stov.org
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- Jeanne Slatkay, Music Director: jslatkay@stov.org
- Suzie Walczynski, Bulletin Editor/Outreach: suzie@stov.org
- Sheila O’Shea, Admin. Assistant: soshea@stov.org
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- Mary Brinkman, Principal: stvprincipal@stvschool.org
- Stephanie Hardy, Assistant Principal: seventh@stvschool.org
- Alex Kmiotek, Admin. Assistant: stvoffice@stvschool.org

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**
- 1141 E Anderson Drive, Palatine, IL 60074
- Phone: 847-358-2386; www.stvrec.org

- Owen Walsh, Religious Ed Director: owalsh@stov.org
- Lisa Lechowicz, Religious Ed Asst. Director: stvrec@yahoo.com

**Priests**
- Rev. Kris Janczak, Pastor
- Rev. Marcin Zasada, Assoc. Pastor
- Rev. Tom Rzepiela, Pastor Emeritus
- Rev. Ray Yadron, Pastor Emeritus

**Permanent Deacons**
- Deacon John Breit
- Deacon Mark Duffey
- Deacon Tom Dunne
- Deacon Bill Karstenson
- Deacon Len Marturano
- Deacon Rich Willer

**Pastoral Council**
- Pam Maloney, Co-Chairperson
- Barb Howell, Co-Chairperson
- Deacon John Breit
- Lexine Cramm
- Ann Johnson
- Norbert Krogstad
- Steve Lundell
- Gay Sladky
- Rev. Marcin Zasada

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*Bulleted deadlines:* Articles for the bulletin are due on Fridays—9 days before publication date.

If you need a hearing device, please ask an usher.
Dear Friends,

We all need challenges in order to grow. "Go for the gold" is not just for Olympic competitors. It's for all of us. All three of this Sunday's readings shout out that challenge to us. God, speaking through Moses, says to the whole house of Israel, "Be holy, for I the Lord, your God, am holy." It's a call to love one's neighbor as oneself, and not to hold any kind of grudge, or ever to seek revenge. God will give us a gold medal if we measure up!

In the Gospel, Jesus makes it clear that He has not come to destroy the Law that His Father laid down centuries before, but that He came on earth to fulfill that Law. His new law and covenant will go even further.

As we resume hearing the Sermon on the Mount this week, Jesus goes into detail. "An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth" was the standard rule under the Mosaic Law. But Jesus taught His followers not to retaliate at all! In fact, if a Roman soldier commanded you to carry his baggage for a mile, which was allowed by law, then Jesus' followers were to go with the soldier for two miles. Even today, we admire the person who goes the extra mile for someone. Jesus' listeners must have mocked Jesus when He told them not only to love your neighbor, but to love your enemies as well! While that may have seemed absurd foolishness, we all know that keeping our distance, and viewing our enemy as somehow really bad, doesn't get us anywhere. Treating our enemy with compassion can often bring about a reconciliation, and even turn our enemy into a friend.

How can we ever possibly get the grace and strength to follow Jesus' advice? This Sunday's second reading from St. Paul's letter to the Corinthians tells us how. First, he tells us that we are stronger and holier than we think. "Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?" Talk about encouraging our confidence in ourselves to become perfect! Then St. Paul tells us not to be worried if society thinks us fools for acting on Jesus' advice. "For the wisdom of this world is foolishness in the eyes of God." When we act according to God's wisdom, then we belong to Christ, and Christ can act through us.

Jesus' teaching changes our whole attitude toward those with whom we live and work. It brings not only spiritual health to us, but a more peaceful world for our society.

Thank you!

I wanted personally to thank all of you for your patience in going again through the process of the Annual Catholic Appeal. This has been done for many years already and we know the process well; nevertheless, the Archdiocese requires each parish to go through the process of explanation and collecting pledges. I want to thank especially those who committed their pledges for this year. I know that there may be a lot of anger out there, especially now when we hear that many churches and schools are closing and some of the priests have given bad example in their ministry. But without your help, our Church could not exist. Let us pray for healing and for God's blessings to our Catholic Church.

Have a fruitful season of lent.

Fr. Kris
Parish Events

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, February 23
9:15am Religious Ed Classes School
9:40am Children’s Liturgy MRD
10:30am TLC—The Linked Cot MRC
7:00pm Volleyball—POLISH RAC

Monday, February 24
9:00am Burning of the Palms School
1:00pm Women’s Pinochle Club MRD
2:30pm School Musical Rehearsal RAC
4:00pm Religious Ed Classes School
7:00pm STV Scripture Study MRB
7:00pm VOICES—Service Night TR

Tuesday, February 25
12:00pm Church Decorating Church
2:30pm School Musical Rehearsal RAC
7:00pm STV Scripture Study MRB
7:00pm Polish Choir Rehearsal Church

Wednesday, February 26
—ASH WEDNESDAY—
2:30pm School Musical Rehearsal RAC
4:00pm VOICES Drop-in RAC/TR
8:00pm A.A. (Closed Meeting) MR4

Thursday, February 27
6:30pm Church Decorating Church
7:00pm Honk! Jr. Musical RAC
7:00pm English Choir Rehearsal Church

Friday, February 28
9:00am STV Scripture Study MRA—D
7:00pm Honk! Jr. Musical RAC

Saturday, February 29
8:45am STV Scripture Study MRB
9:00am Early Education Brunch VH
7:00pm Honk! Jr. Musical RAC

Sunday, March 1
9:15am Religious Ed Classes School
9:40am Children’s Liturgy MRD

MISSING HEARING DEVICES

Two assistive hearing devices are missing from our Church. If you’ve used a device in the past, please check your belongings for a missing device. If found, just return the device to the charger station in the back of Church. Thank you.

TODAY

• ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL—Follow-up Weekend
• TLC—THE LINKED COT From 10:30am—noon in MRC.
• PANCAKE BREAKFAST From 8am—1pm at St. Theresa Parish, Lower Dolan Center—455 N Benton Street, Palatine. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Holy Ghost Council 4977.

UPCOMING

• BURNING OF PALMS Monday, February 24 (Page 5)
• WOMEN’S PINOCHLE CLUB Monday, February 24 from 1pm—4pm in MRD. Pinochle players invited or anyone willing to learn. Bring $1.00 and your own beverage. Snacks and water available. For more information, call the Parish Office 847-358-6999.
• VOICES—SERVICE NIGHT AT FMSC Monday, February 24 (Page 5)
• GOLDEN VILLANOVANS
  — Wednesday, February 26 at 1pm. Group Lunch at Café 14—300 N Northwest Hwy, Palatine.
  — Monday, March 2 at 1pm. Ladies Lunch at Brandt’s—807 Northwest Hwy, Palatine.
• HONK! JR. MUSICAL February 27—29 (Page 10)
• LENTEN FISH FRY Friday, March 6 (Page 9)
• LENTEN—STV SCRIPTURE STUDY Starting in March (Page 5)
• HEALTHY DATING Sunday, March 8 (Page 5)
• LENTEN SERVICE NIGHT Wednesday, March 11 (Page 8)
• PARISH LENTEN MISSION March 15, 16 & 17 (Page 5)
• SAVE THE DATE—VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION MASS & RECEPTION Saturday, April 18 at the 5pm Mass. More info coming soon!

HELP WANTED—ENGLISH/ POLISH SPEAKING ADMIN. ASSISTANT
The Parish Office is seeking a bilingual speaking (English / Polish) administrative assistant to work at the front desk on Fridays for the Parish Office.
Skills needed: Excellent communication in the Polish and English languages (verbal and written); Microsoft Office 365; General office operations
8 Hours per week: Friday from 9am—5pm
Submit your resume/CV to: Deacon John Breit: jbreit@stov.org or Father Kris: fatherkris@stov.org
Call the Parish Office for a full job description or visit www.stov.org.
OLD PALMS FOR ASHES
Last year’s palms will be burned to make the ashes for Ash Wednesday. Today is the last day to place your old palms in the baskets located in the Narthex and Gathering Area. Palms will be burned on Monday, February 24 at 9am in front of our school. All are welcome!

STV SCRIPTURE STUDY
Are You Looking for a Lenten program to deepen your experience of Lent this year?

Join St. Thomas Scripture Study for:
NO GREATER LOVE: A Biblical Walk Through Christ’s Passion
A 5-Week Study by Dr. Edward Sri
$28 per person

This study will be offered on three different days and times:
1. Friday mornings from 9:30am—11:15am beginning March 6
2. Saturday mornings from 8:45am—10:30am beginning March 7
3. Tuesday evenings from 7:00pm—8:45pm beginning March 10

To register: Contact Nancy Hulsebosch
nhulsebosch@gmail.com or 847-757-5630

LENTEN PARISH MISSION
WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE CATHOLIC?
March 15, 16 & 17
7pm—8pm in Church

Presented by Rev. Thomas R. McCarthy, O.S.A.

VOICES EVENTS—For High Schoolers
♦ Feed My Starving Children—Service Night:
  Monday, February 24 meet in the Teen Room at 7pm, back by 10pm. This is a fun and rewarding way to help those who are hungry in countries around the world. Please RSVP so we can make proper arrangements for transportation. Email Jeff at jeff@stvoices.org.
♦ Drop-In: Every Wednesday from 4pm—9pm in the Teen Room / RAC.
  Come hang out, meet new people, play games in the gym, do homework, listen to music... you get the idea!
  For more info: jeff@stvoices.org / www.stvoices.org

HEALTHY DATING—A Presentation for Teens
Is it love? Am I happy? All teens are invited to a presentation by Jessica Caccavallo, MSW, LSW on the topic of Healthy Dating for teens.
  ♦ Sunday, March 8 from 1:30pm—3:30pm
  ♦ St. Colette Parish, Halpin Hall—3900 Meadow Dr, Rolling Meadows
She will discuss self-worth, trust, boundaries, respect, compromise and communication for teen dating. Questions? lmarchiori@yahoo.com

Sponsored by St. Colette FOCUS Youth Ministry and the St. Colette & St. Thomas of Villanova Domestic Violence Ministries

Open yourself to the nourishment we all need in today’s world. Join us!

SUNDAY 3/15
The Saints
How are they heroes of our faith?
Am I a saint in training?

MONDAY 3/16
Prayer
Is it worth it? Does God listen to me?
Answered or unanswered prayers— which do I believe in?

TUESDAY 3/17
The Family of Faith
Do I consider my parish a family?
How do I build a family of faith? I want to belong—how do I do it?
Please Support Our STV Deacon Candidate, Derek Oliver, & His Family!

Please continue your prayers for Derek Oliver and his family as he works to complete the 3rd year of his 4-year Diaconate Formation program. He and his wife, Jola, have 2 teenage children and have been active parishioners at STV since August, 2002.

Currently there are nearly 550 active Deacons in the Archdiocese of Chicago. Derek is part of a total group of 58 men, accompanied by their wives, who are discerning and preparing for ordination as a Deacon in Chicago through the Institute for Diaconal Studies. He previously has been instituted into the Ministry of Lector and Ministry of Acolyte.

In the coming months, you will see Derek more often as he completes his parish internship in assisting with liturgies (Mass, baptisms, wake services, weddings). He also is deeply involved with his class of candidates in their study courses, prayer, small group meetings, retreats, and spiritual formation, much of which also includes their wives. These and other experiences are preparing him for the Sacrament of Holy Orders in the Spring of 2021.

Derek & Jola and their family, and all those in Diaconate formation, greatly appreciate your support and prayers as they continue to answer God’s special call in their lives!

Are you being called...to serve God as a deacon?

One of the great legacies of the Second Vatican Council was its renewal of the Order of Deacon throughout the entire Catholic Church. The Council proclaimed the Sacred Order of Deacons is to be “a driving force for the Church’s service or diakonia…”

- Animators of Christian leadership
- Proclaiming the Word of God in the workplace
- Assisting on the altar
- Evangelizers in the community and small Christian faith communities
- A preferential option for the poor
- Baptizing and witnessing marriages

If you believe the Lord may be calling you to consider a vocation to this valuable ministry, please check out our website, www.usml.edu. For more information, contact Deacon Bob Puhala 847-837-4564 or bpuhala@usml.edu

Institute for Diaconal Studies—University of Saint Mary of the Lake
### 2019 Fiscal Year Sunday Sacrificial Giving

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#### YTD Totals

- **YTD Budget**: $706,200.00
- **YTD Actual**: $680,013.02
- **Over / (Under)**: ($26,186.98)

THANK YOU!

### 2nd Collection—Next Weekend

Next weekend, our special collection supports the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. The fall of communism occurred over 25 years ago, but the Church still struggles to rebuild after years of oppressive rule. Many churches in this region were confiscated or destroyed, leaving the faithful without a place to worship or find pastoral support. Your support of this collection helps rebuild churches, supports seminary programs, promotes ministries and education for children and families, and renews community life around the region. Please be generous, and prayerfully consider how you can support this collection. For more information about the collection and who it supports, visit [www.usccb.org/ccee](http://www.usccb.org/ccee). Thank you for your help to restore the Church and build the future in Central and Eastern Europe today.

### Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship Program

GREAT NEWS! Thanks to donor generosity, we have maximized the 2-for-1 match program for the 2020 – 2021 school year. HOWEVER, we have 80+ applicants, including current and new students, who expressed interest in attending St. Thomas of Villanova School under this program. We currently do not have enough funds to accommodate all of the students. Please continue to donate to this program so we can help more students.

Here is what you need to know:

- You can provide a St. Thomas of Villanova School education to children from low-income families while also receiving an Illinois state income tax credit for yourself.
- Donors can receive a 75% Illinois tax credit on their 2020 taxes for donating to needs based scholarships through the Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship Program.

Visit [archchicago.org/tcs](http://archchicago.org/tcs) or [empowerillinois.org/donors](http://empowerillinois.org/donors) to learn more or contact the school, 847-358-2110. Please also contact your tax advisor, who can assist you with discerning your decision to donate.

### 2019 Tax Donation Statements

Thank you for your generous donations during 2019! To help you prepare for your taxes, 2019 donation statements will be available starting January 31, 2020. Just stop by the Parish Office and pick it up. If you’d like your statement mailed, please either call the Parish Office at 847-358-6999 or email your request to: soshea@stov.org and put "2019 Statement" in the subject line. Thank you, again, for your continued support of our Parish!
LENT

Ash Wednesday
Ashes will be distributed at all the following services:
6:30am—Mass
8:00am—Mass
4:30pm—Prayer Service
6:00pm—Mass
7:30pm—Polish Mass

ASHES FOR HOMEBOUND
Ministers of Care can pick up ashes & prayers at Deacon Tom Dunne’s desk in the Parish Office beginning Monday, February 24.

Stations of the Cross
Stations of the Cross will be offered every week during Lent
ENGLISH
♦ Wednesday Mornings—after 8am Mass with our school children
♦ Friday Evenings—6:00pm
   The first Friday, February 28th, will incorporate the Rice Bowl Stations of the Cross from Catholic Relief Services.

POLISH
♦ Friday Evenings—7:30pm Mass followed by Stations of the Cross

Prayer Opportunities
♦ 6:30am Communion Service
  Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
♦ 8:00am Daily Mass
  Monday thru Saturday
♦ Eucharistic Adoration
  Every Wednesday, 6pm—7pm
♦ Reconciliation
  Saturday morning; 8:30am—9:30am

LENTEN REGULATIONS
♦ FASTING: On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, those who are 18 but not yet 60 are allowed only one full meal. Two smaller meals are allowed as needed, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.
♦ ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT: Those who are 14 years of age or older are to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.

CRS RICE BOWL
WE ARE CALLED: Join our faith community—and more than 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family’s CRS Rice Bowl at any of the Church exits starting on Ash Wednesday. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on the challenge of global hunger and how it affects our human family.
♦ Use your CRS Rice Bowl and Lenten Calendar daily to guide your prayer, fasting and almsgiving.
♦ Read the Stories of Hope and daily reflections to inspire your Lenten journey—and guide your Lenten almsgiving.
♦ Prepare simple, meatless meals on the Fridays of Lent to eat in solidarity with our brothers and sisters around the world.
♦ Visit crsricebowl.org to watch videos of the people and communities you support through your Lenten gifts to CRS Rice Bowl.

“THE LITTLE BLACK BOOK” sponsored by the Evangelization Team, is available at all Church exits. Each Little Book has been carefully crafted to help you explore the depths of Scripture and deepen your relationship with Christ. Perfect for personal devotional time. Spend some quiet time with the Lord this Lent. Free will offering.

“COME AS YOU ARE” GROUPS will start this week and will continue for all 6 weeks of Lent. (One group meets all year!) The “Come As You Are” groups read the upcoming Sunday’s Scriptures, discuss questions about the readings and ways to apply the readings to your life. If you were part of a group last year, your leader will contact you. If you would like to join a group, contact the Parish Office 847-358-6999.

LENTEN SERVICE NIGHT Jesus tells us that “You are the light of the world.” Let’s live the gospel. Help us prepare food packets for the hungry around the world. Come join us at Feed My Starving Children in Schaumburg on Wednesday, March 11th at 6pm. Call the Parish Office 847-358-6999 and leave a message for Deacon Len and Marilyn Marturano to volunteer with the Social Justice Committee. We need 18 team members.
LENTEN FRIDAY FISH FRYS
Sponsored by Knights of Columbus - Council #4977

Friday - March 6 to April 3
4:00pm to 7:00pm—Rowley Activity Center

CASH OR CREDIT
Adults $10; Ages 5—12 $5; Ages 1—4 Free
Family of 4 or more $28
Money in short supply? Enjoy a fish dinner on the Knights!

Menu includes: Fried Cod, Fried Shrimp (add'l charge), Pizza, Salad, Cole Slaw, Beverages and Yummy Desserts.

Each Friday Fish Fry will benefit a worthy organization. Come eat delicious food, build community and support these charitable groups.

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A TIME OF PRAYER & SERVICE TO THE ELDERLY
An invitation to single Catholic young women ages 17 to 30

♦ Saturday, February 29 from 10:30am—3pm
♦ Little Sisters of the Poor / St. Joseph’s Home for the Elderly—80 W Northwest Hwy, Palatine
Meet and greet the Little Sisters; Join us for Mass; Share our joy and yours as you serve our elderly residents; Enjoy lunch while sharing and listening to vocation stories; Join us for adoration before the Blessed Sacrament.

RSVP by Wednesday, Feb. 26 to Sr. Diane at vcpalatine@littlesistersofthepoor.org

40 CANS FOR LENT
Collecting for our Neighbors Needs
Our Knights of Columbus Council is again sponsoring “40 Cans for Lent” this year to help stock the St. Thomas Food Pantry. We ask Parishioners to donate 1 food or nonperishable item for each of the 40 days of Lent. You can bring 1 item every day or 7 items when you come for Sunday Mass.

There will be collection boxes in the Gathering Area and the Narthex. Help us to continue to provide for those in need living in our community. (Note: Please check expiration dates on the items. We cannot distribute expired food to our Pantry clients.)

Multi-Media Rack
New material has been added to the multimedia rack located in the Gathering Area, just in time for Lent. Please browse the large selection of CD’s, booklets and books. Such as:

LENT WITH THE SAINTS (Booklet)
This little companion to private reflection will offer ready sustenance to those setting out on the joyful road of Easter with Lenten themes of prayer, conversion, repentance, fasting and almsgiving.
**STV SCHOOL LOTTERY**

Return your completed ticket (BELOW) with payment to the School Office or put in the collection basket at any Mass. **MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: St. Thomas of Villanova—Family School Assn.**

**CULVER’S DINE-N-SHARE**
Before Lent begins... Donate while you dine!
- **Tuesday, February 25 from 5pm– 8pm**
- **Culver's of Palatine—1765 N Rand Rd**
Just mention you're dining to support St. Thomas of Villanova School and a portion of your bill will be donated back to STV School.

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**ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA SCHOOL LOTTERY CERTIFICATE**

Sponsored by the Family School Association

$10.00

Certificate owner is hereby eligible to participate in monthly dividends of $200, $100, $50, and $25; and in December, a prize of $500. This Certificate is valid for the period - March 2020 thru February 2021.

1st Place: $200
2nd Place: $100
3rd Place: $50
4th Place: $25
5th Place: $10
6th Place: $5
7th Place: $2
8th Place: $1

All winning numbers will be reported for future drawings.

Date
Signature

**Bulletin Ad**

**Come see Honk! Jr.**

Presented by St. Thomas of Villanova School

**February 27, 28, 29**

All shows: 7:00 PM

In the Rowley Activity Center

Tickets $6 in advance - Call 847-358-2110 (School Office)
Greetings and Peace from the Holy Land! My classmates and I are enjoying our pilgrimage throughout this sacred land. We have seen many places where our Lord ministered and spoke, and have encountered Him in the people who live here. In a few days we make our journey up to Jerusalem, the Holy City, where we will ponder more deeply and personally the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus. We just concluded our silent retreat for those preparing to be ordained deacons and priests. With each passing day, my classmates and I are becoming more and more aware of the reality of our upcoming ordination to ordained ministry!! I am very excited for ordination!

One of the many, many graces my classmates and I have had on pilgrimage is the opportunity to pray in the grotto of the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem for a whole hour, in silence. Also, at each holy site we have Mass at, we celebrate the Mass of that site. So in Bethlehem, we celebrated Christmas Mass, we celebrated the Annunciation at the Basilica of the Annunciation in Nazareth, the Visitation of Mary to her cousin Elizabeth at the Church of the Visitation in Ein Karem, and renewed our baptismal promises at the River Jordan where Jesus was baptized by his cousin John the Baptist to name a few. In the coming days, we will visit the Holy Sepulcher, the Upper Room where the Last Supper took place, the Garden of Gethsemane, and the Mount of Olives. Please continue to pray for us as we journey with our Lord in his footsteps! This pilgrimage is allowing all of us to mold our lives more closely to that of Jesus, who loves beyond measure, and who is present to us in the Sacraments and in the ordained ministry we are preparing for.

As the season of Lent begins on Wednesday, the Scriptures we hear at Mass this weekend speak to us about how to seriously prepare for this sacred time. The foundation for the season of Lent is love. It was love that the Father had to send his son Jesus to be born of the Virgin in a cave in Bethlehem. It was love that led Jesus to the cross to die for our salvation. And it was love that our parents had for us when they presented us to the priest or deacon on our baptism day, to be made co-heirs with Christ, to die to sin and begin our new life in Christ.

Lent is a time of penitence, of self-denial and of fasting. But it is also a season of preparation to celebrate the love Christ has for us by becoming man, dying on a cross, and offering eternal life to those who believe in him. The world we live in today is in desperate need of love, of forgiveness, of renewal. Lent is a time to begin to love those who are difficult to love, a time to forgive those who have done us wrong, and a time to renew our spiritual lives in union with Christ. May this Lenten season encourage us to love others as Christ loves, and also to love ourselves as Christ loves us.

With you on the Lenten journey,
Seminarian Andy Matijevic

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**LITURGY SCHEDULE for FEBRUARY 29 / MARCH 1**

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  • SrA Joshua Olszak
  • MAJ Matthew Walz

U.S. Army
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  • SSGT Brian J. Dankowski
  • SPC Jack Davis
  • SSG Christopher M. Fedrick
  • MAJ Jon Meier
  • CWO2 Timothy O’Cain
  • CPT James Ruetsche, Ranger

U.S. Coast Guard
  • CPO Nick Gaines
  • LT Kevin O’Brien

U.S. Marine Corps
  • LCpl Nicholas G. Dean
  • WO2 Thomas Grygowski
  • SGT Cameron Miller
  • SGT Kyle Rich
  • CAPT Jake Schlenbecker

U.S. Navy
  • LT Jeremy Adams
  • LCDR Kevin Brandwein
  • CMDR John-Paul Falardeau
  • CAPT Jason Haen
  • PO3 Caleb Harrington
  • PO2 David Holley
  • LT Quinn Daniel Kilpatrick
  • AP James Steininger
  • And all those serving in the Middle East.

OUR SEMINARIANS

Pray for all Seminarians as they continue their priestly formation, especially: Casey Flack, Andy Matijevic and AJ Sales

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Florence Marie Rose

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A Special Teacher

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ROSE OF LIFE

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Informacje po polsku (Polish Information)

VII NIEDZIELA ZWYKŁA – Zło można zatrzymać tylko dobrą

Jezus pokazuje, że zemsta czy nienawiść nie jest właściwym rozwiązaniem. Może dać chwilową ulgę zranionej ambicji, lecz zaplątuje serce człowieka w sieć coraz dotkliwszego zła i chęci odwetu. Potrzeba wielkiej odwagi i wewnętrznej siły, by przewracać spirali zła, zemstę i przemocę, by być ich ostatnim owadem, które już nie odpowiada tym samym, lecz modlitwą, przebaczeniem, darem z siebie. To wcale nie oznacza, że mamy godzić się na krzywdę i przemoc. Możemy się bronić oraz stawiać granice, ale nie odpaczać tym samym, tylko mieć serce otwarte na przebaczenie i pojenanie...

Intencje Mszalne i Rejetsacja

Intencje mszalne można Zamówić po mszy św. niedzielnej w pokoju marszałków lub zakrystii.

MSZE ŚW. W JĘZ. POLSKIM —
Niedziela: 1:30pm;
Pierwszy Piątek miesiąca: spowiedź od 5:30, Msza św. godz. 7:00pm;

Pierwsza Sobota miesiąca: Nabożeństwo 'Pierwszych S. Sobót' i Msza św. godz. 7:00pm;
Trzeci Piątek miesiąca: Nabożeństwo do Bożej Miłosierdzia i Msza św. godz. 7:00pm.

Wielki Post
Każdy piątek WP — Nabożeństwo Drogi Krzyżowej i Msza św. godz. 7:30pm.

Sakrament Chrztu Świ.

Sakrament Chrztu Świ. w język polskim jest udzielany w każdą niedzielę miesiąca po Mszy św. w języku polskim — prosimy o wcześniejszy kontakt z ks. Marcinem.

Pierwsze Soboty Miesiąca

- Wszystkie wierzący wakują w intencje intencją wyznaczną z pochówki Pana Jezusa

- Przyszłość wakacje zostałaj w intencję wyznaczną z pochówki Pana Jezusa

Sakrament Małżeństwa

Prosimy o kontakt z biurem parafialnym przynajmniej 6 miesięcy przed planowanym ślubem w celu ustalenia daty ślubu i spotkania się z księdzem.

Sakrament Pokuty

Niedziela 12:45pm — 1:15pm.

Róża Różańcowa

Spotkania w drugą niedzielę miesiąca po Mszy św. Serdecznie zapraszamy do wspólnego modlitwy różańcowej w każdą niedzielę przed Mszą św. godz. 1:00 pm.

Kontakt z Kancelarią

Poniedziałek — Czwartek: 9:00am — 8:00pm
Piątek: 9:00am — 5:00 pm
Sobota: 9:00am — 12:00 pm

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Posyppywanie prochu po mszy

Zwyczaj pospywania prochu po mszy w Kościele długą, bo sięgającą aż w wieku tradycji. Na początku Wielkiego Postu, których popelnili ciężkie grzechy wyznańi biskupów, a on włączył ich do tak zwanego 'stanu pokutników'. Po wyznaniu grzechów wyprawodzono ich z kościoła, co miało symbolizować wypędzenie Adama i Ewy z Raju.

Precedentem zbiegać ich to szaty pokutne, które mieli nosić przez cały Post i pospywano ich głowy prochem. Publiczny charakter pokuty wynikał z przekonania, że grzech nie jest nigdy prywatną sprawą człowieka, ale pełzą zadaną całej wspólnoty, a zatem i we wspólnotie musi odbywać się pojenanie człowieka z Bogiem i braciem.

Sam gest pospywania głowy popiołem lub pyłem z ziemi jest jednak dużo starszy. Znały go także inne religie i kultury basenu morza śródziemnego. Znajdują się również na kartach Starego Testamentu. W Biblii jest to znak pokuty, ale także żałoby. Dlatego w naszej katolickiej tradycji towarzyszą mu szept zaczępienia właśnie z Pisma Świętego.

Z prochu powstałe jest i proch się obraca.

Popioł to resztki po czymś, co przestało istnieć. Z prochu ziemi zostawiliśmy utworzono i na koniec wszyscy się obrabowali. Chodzi tu nie tylko o straszenie się śmiercią, lecz o wynajawanie się z naszego codziennego biegu i świadomie sobie pewnej podstawowej, a często przez nas zapominanej czy wręcz wypieranej prawdy. Jakiej? że to wszystko, za czym tak pędziśmy, to nie wszystko!

To za czym tak gonię, to o co tak bardzo zabiegam na co dzień, nie będzie trwał wiecznie. Kiedy się rozpadnie, mnie, zużyje. Są kwestie ważniejsze i to na nich potrzebują się na nowo skoncentrować. Wielki Post to czas rewizji naszych priorytetów.

Nawracanie się

Popioł jest sypki, zwieńczony. Jak my sami... Wobec naszych pieczołowicie konstruowanych miraży o własnej wytrwiałości, wytrwałosci, wobec wszelkiej pokusy samowystarczalnościami i samoobrazienia ta odrobina prochu ma być symboliczną oddruchą. Mówimy więc: 'Jesteś prochem, pieśniem, biedną gliną.'

Dwoje dobre chęci i postanowienia same z siebie szybko się rozwijają, jak ten popioł na Twojej głowie. Tylko Bóg może dać temu prochem twarzkošały. Tylko Boski Garncarz może z tej gliny ulepić trwałe naczynie z swoją łaską. Nauczymy się? W języku Biblii znaczy to: Zmieniawie Wasze myślenie!

Post to czas na zmianę myślenia. Moje myślenie o sobie jako o duchowym ateicie i o Bogu jako o trenerze czy sędziem, którego treba zadowolić odpowiednimi wynikami. Czas, by pomyśleć, o sobie, jako o prochu, z którego tylko Bóg może coś sensownego ulepić. By zobaczyć, że te wszystkie moje wysiłki i podskoki konie końców obracają się w popioł. I tylko w rękę Boga ten popioł może stać się diamentem.

Wierzcie w Ewangelię!


Pewnie niewiele. A jednak to znak nadziei. Bo nie idę przez tę Paszę sam. Idę z Chrystusem, który pierwszy przeszedł dla mnie tę drogę. Ewangelia to Dobra Nowina o Jego zwycięskim Przejściu przez śmierć do życia. O tym, że On ma moc odtworzyć mnie nawet zгарści popiołu. On, Prawdziwy Feniuci, który pierwszy wstąd z popiołów śmierci...

Ogłoszenie

Biuro parafialne poszukuje do pracy osoby dwujęzyczej na pozycji: Asystent administra-

acyjny' [tylko w piątki, 9:00AM – 5:00PM – w sumie 8 godz.] Umiętności:

- Biegła w mowie i piśmnię znajomość języka angielskiego i polskiego,
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Przyjazny kontakt z Deacon John Breit przesyłając

CV na następujący adres: jbreit@stov.org jak również o telefon do biura parafialnego by zapoznać się z „job description”.

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Znaczenie prochu w Święcie Piekło

Znaczenie prochu w Święcie Piekło jest istotne dla każdego katolika, ponieważ symbolizuje wypędzenie Adama i Ewy z Raju. Są to pierwsze z)|(58)
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